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For : INORGANIC ION SORBENTS AND METHODS FOR USING THE SAME

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136**

This is to petition for an extension of time in order to file a Response to the Advisory Action mailed September 15, 2004. Grant of this petition is requested. The accompanying paper, which filed during the THIRD month following the expiration of the shortened statutory period of response to the Final Rejection but after the period set for reply in the Advisory Action, is Applicants' Reply to Advisory Action and Request for Examiner's Rationale or Evidence Tending to Show Inherency. This petition is also intended to apply for purposes of Applicants' Notice of Appeal which, if filed, shall be filed under separate correspondence within six months following the Final Rejection dated March 30, 2004.

The Office is authorized to charge all required extension of time fees under 37 CFR 1.17 for other than a small entity to deposit account no. 19-0131.

Applicants state that sufficient cause under 37 CFR 1.136 for extension of the period for reply exists because:

- 1) entrance into the record of Applicants' Reply to Advisory Action and Request for Examiner's Rationale or Evidence Tending to Show Inherency is necessary in order to clarify issues for appeal,
- 2) the period for reply stated in the Advisory Action expired before the Advisory Action was mailed by the Office, and
- 3) this paper is filed with the Office within six (6) months of the date of Final Rejection

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Respectfully submitted,

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